



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

of the

**CAYMAN ISLANDS**

**REPORT**

of the

**STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019  
Session of the Legislative Assembly  
held in Cayman Brac/Grand Cayman**

Laid upon the Table of this Honourable House this      day of      , 2018.

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The Legislative Assembly appointed the Standing Business Committee with the passing on 31st May, 2017 of Government Motion No. 1 and resolved that –

*“In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 79, this House appoints a Standing Business Committee charged with deciding the order of business of the House and, in particular –*

- (a) to consider the Business Papers of the House;*
- (b) to decide and inform the Clerk the order in which Private Members’ Motions are to be debated on;*
- (c) to decide and to inform the Clerk two clear days before a Question Day the questions to be put down for reply on the Order Paper for that Question Day;*
- (d) to provide a ready means of consultation between Members who are not Members of the Cabinet, and the Leader of Government Business, the Leader of the Opposition, the Presiding Officer and the Clerk;*
- (e) to select a Member to read Prayers on each day of a Meeting of the House other than the State Opening Meeting;*
- (f) to inform the Clerk the order in which Bills shall be set down upon the Order Paper;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Standing Business Committee shall comprise five Elected Members;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the quorum for the Committee shall be three Members of the Committee including the Chairman and that the Committee shall meet at such times as called by the Chairman;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Committee review its terms of reference and report any recommendations to this Honourable House.*

The Motion was moved by the Deputy Governor the Honourable ex officio Member responsible for the Portfolio of the Civil Service.

## **2. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE**

The following Members are Members of the Committee:

Hon Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Premier - Chairman  
Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA, Deputy Premier - Member  
Hon D Ezzard Miller, MLA, LoO - Member  
Hon Bernie A Bush, MLA, Deputy Speaker – Member  
Mr Alva H Suckoo, MLA, Deputy LoO - Member

### **3. BUSINESS OF THE COMMITTEE**

In arranging the business of the House for the State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 Session of the Legislative Assembly held in Cayman Brac/Grand Cayman, the Committee held one meeting -

- Minutes – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2018;
- Round Robin – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018; and
- Round Robin No. 2 – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

Seven Business Papers containing the business of the House for the State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 Session of the Legislative Assembly were circulated. The Minutes of proceedings are attached hereto and form part of this Report.

### **4. REPORT TO THE HOUSE**

The Committee agrees that this Report be the Report of the Standing Business Committee to this Honourable House.

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Hon Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA  
Premier  
Minister of Human Resources, Immigration and Community Affairs  
Elected Member for Red Bay  
Chairman

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Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA  
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Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport  
Elected Member for Cayman Brac West and Little Cayman  
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Deputy Leader of the Opposition  
Elected Member for Newlands  
Member



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

### STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE

#### MINUTES

##### Meeting

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2018**

Minutes of proceedings of the Standing Business Committee's meeting held in the Committee Room of the Legislative Assembly Building, Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2018 at 11:35 am to arrange the business of the House for the State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly, to be held in Cayman Brac.

Present:           Hon Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Premier – Chairman  
                      Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA, Deputy Premier – Member  
                      Hon D Ezzard Miller, MLA, LoO - Member  
                      Mr Alva H Suckoo, MLA, Deputy LoO – Member

Absent:            Hon Bernie A Bush, MLA, Deputy Speaker - Member

1.       **Meeting to Order**

There being a quorum present, the Chairman brought the meeting to order at 11:35 am.

The Chairman thanked the Honourable Members present for attending the Meeting, and intimated that he did not receive an apology for the absence of the Deputy Speaker, the Elected Member for West Bay North.

The Committee perused and **disagreed** with the attached Draft Programme for the State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly, and the commemoration of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Assembly Meetings to be held in Cayman Brac on the 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. See Appendix I.

The Chairman advised the Committee that he would consult with the Honourable Speaker regarding certain matters within the Draft Programme, and get back to them, and the Clerk, on the outcome of that meeting.

2.       **Consideration of Business**

The Committee considered Business Papers 1 through 5 and agreed to the following:-

**First Sitting – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 – Cayman Brac**

Prayers:           Clerk to arrange for a Pastor to say Prayers.

Papers:

(i)       National Conservation Council Annual Report 2017

State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 - Session of the Legislative Assembly held in Cayman  
Brac/Grand Cayman

- (ii) Cayman Islands Government Unaudited Quarterly Financial Report – Six-Month period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 – Core Government
- (iii) Moody's Investors Service – Government of the Cayman Islands – Aa3 stable -Annual Credit Analysis Report 2018
- (iv) The Cayman Islands Government Labour Force Survey Report Spring 2018
- (v) Office of the Auditor General – Cayman Islands Annual Report – 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2017 – Providing Value to the People of the Cayman Islands

Questions: The Chairman informed the Honourable Members that when Parliamentary Questions were ready to be answered by the Ministers the Clerk would be notified and they would be placed upon the Order Paper.

Government Business

Bills: The Committee agreed to the First and Second Readings, and Committee and Report stages of the following Bills:-

- The Cayman Islands Red Cross Bill, 2018
- The Anti-Corruption (Amendment) Bill, 2018
- The Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2018
- The National Honours Award (Amendment) Bill, 2018  
(the *First Reading of this Bill has already been done*)

Motions:

- (1) **Government Motion No. 1/2018-2019**  
Amendment to the Development Plan 1997 – Proposed Rezoning: George Town Central, Block 13D Parcel 1 and West Bay Beach South, Block 13C Parcel 1

To be moved by the Honourable Minister of Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure.

- (2) **Government Motion No. 2/2018-2019**  
Amendment to the Development Plan 1997 – Proposed Rezoning: Bodden own, Block 44B Parcel 15

To be moved by the Honourable Minister of Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure.

**Second Sitting – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 - Cayman Brac**

Prayers: Clerk to arrange the selection of a Member to say prayers.

Private Members Motions:

- (1) **Private Member's Motion No. 2/2018-2019**  
Motion to Increase Funding for Education

To be moved by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, the Elected Member for North Side and seconded by the Elected Member for Bodden Town West.

- (2) **Private Member's Motion No. 3/2018-2019**  
Motion to introduce Performance Incentive Compensation in the Civil Service

To be moved by the Elected Member for Bodden Town West and seconded by the Elected Member for Savannah.

(3) **Private Member's Motion No. 4/2018-2019**

Caymanian Social Mobility

To be moved by the Elected Member for Newlands and seconded by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, the Elected Member for North Side.

The Honourable Leader of the Opposition made mention that there was another Private Member's Motion entitled "Referendum on Cruise Berthing Project" pending approval of the Honourable Speaker. He intimated that if that motion was agreed to by the Speaker, he would like to have it placed upon the Order paper for Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 as No. 1, and arranges the Private Member's Motions listed above upon the Order Paper as 3, 2 and 4.

**The Committee agreed to the placement of the Private Member's Motions in the order as was suggested on the Order Paper for Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, the Elected Member for North Side.**

3. **Confirmation/Ratification of Reports and Minutes**

Report of the Standing Business Committee – Fourth Meeting of the 2017/2018 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly.

- Minutes – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2018;
- Round Robin – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2018; and
- Round Robin - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.

The above Report and Minutes were moved by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, the Elected Member for North Side for the confirmation/ratification.

**The Committee agreed to the confirmation/ratification of the above Report and Minutes.**

It was also agreed by the Committee to have the Report placed upon the Order Paper for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

4. **Other Business**

The Honourable Leader of the Opposition informed the Committee that he had three Reports of the Auditor General that he needed to have tabled at this Meeting. He was seeking the approval of the Committee, that when they were ready, to have them placed upon the Order Paper.

**It was agreed by the Committee to have them placed upon the Order when they were ready for Tabling**

5. **Adjournment**

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
**STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**ROUND ROBIN**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018**

We, the undersigned Members of the Standing Business Committee agree to the following document for the State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 Session of the Legislative Assembly, to be placed upon the Order Paper for Thursday 6th September, 2018:-

1. **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS**

- (i) **Report of the Standing Finance Committee on the Appropriation Changes in Accordance with Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Law (2018 Revision) for the Financial Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018**

To be laid on the Table by the Honourable Minister of Finance and Economic Development.

2. **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Private Member's Motion No. 1/2018-2019**

Referendum on Cruise Berthing Project

To be moved by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, the Elected Member for North Side and seconded by the Elected Member for East End.

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Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport  
Elected Member for Cayman Brac West and Little Cayman  
Member



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Elected Member for North Side  
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Hon Bernie A Bush, MLA  
Deputy Speaker  
Elected Member for West Bay North  
Member

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Mr Alva Suckoo, MLA  
Deputy Leader of the Opposition  
Elected Member for Newlands  
Member



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**ROUND ROBIN No. 2**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018**

We, the undersigned Members of the Standing Business Committee agree to the following documents for the State Opening and First Meeting of the 2018/2019 Session of the Legislative Assembly, to be placed upon the Order Paper for Wednesday 12th September, 2018:-

**1. PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS**

**(ii) Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Annual Report 2016-2017**

To be laid on the Table by the Honourable Attorney General, ex officio Member responsible for the Portfolio of Legal Affairs.

**(iii) Cayman Islands Destination Performance Report 2017**

To be laid on the Table by the Honourable Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport.

**(iii) Cayman Islands Government Plan and Estimates 2016/2017 Supplementary for the Financial period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2017**

To be laid on the Table by the Honourable Minister of Finance and Economic Development.

**(iv) Request to Finance Committee for Appropriation Changes under Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Law (2018 Revision) for the Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018**

To be laid on the Table by the Honourable Minister of Finance and Economic Development.

**2. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**Bills: First and Second Readings, Report and Third Reading**

- The Supplementary Appropriation (July 2016 to December 2017) Bill, 2018

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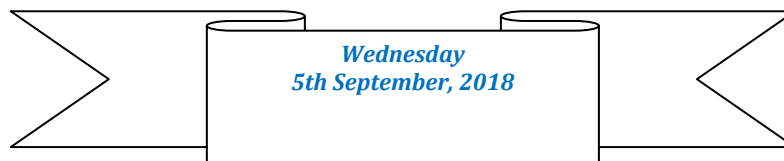
**APPENDIX 1**



**STATE OPENING AND FIRST MEETING OF THE  
2018/2019  
SESSION OF THE  
CAYMAN ISLANDS  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

**FIRST SITTING AND  
COMMEMORATION OF THE  
50TH ANNIVERSARY OF  
ASSEMBLY MEETING IN  
CAYMAN BRAC**

**ASHTON RUTTY CIVIC CENTRE  
CAYMAN BRAC**



**HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S  
REPRESENTATIVE**

**His Excellency the Acting Governor  
Hon Franz I Manderson, MBE, Cert. Hon, JP**

**THE SPEAKER**

**Honourable Dr William McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, MLA**  
Elected Member for West Bay West

**THE PREMIER**

**Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA**  
Minister of Human Resources, Immigration and  
Community Affairs  
Elected Member for Red Bay

**MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
CABINET**

**Honourable Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA**

Deputy Premier  
Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport  
Elected Member for Cayman Brac West and Little Cayman

**Honourable Juliana Y O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MLA**

Minister of Education, Youth, Sports, Agriculture & Lands  
Elected Member for Cayman Brac East

**Honourable Dwayne S Seymour, JP, MLA**

Minister of Health, Environment, Culture and Housing  
Elected Member for Bodden Town East

**Honourable Roy M McTaggart, JP, MLA**

Minister of Finance and Economic Development  
Elected Member for George Town East

**Honourable Joseph X Hew, MLA**

Minister of Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure  
Elected Member for George Town North

**Honourable Tara A Rivers, JP, MLA**

Minister of Financial Services and Home Affairs  
Elected Member for West Bay South

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

**Honourable Gloria McField– Nixon**

Acting Deputy Governor, Temporary ex officio Member  
responsible for the Civil Service

**Honourable Samuel W Bulgin, QC, JP**

Attorney General, ex officio Member  
responsible for Legal Affairs

**ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

**GOVERNMENT BACKBENCH**

**Hon Bernie A Bush, MLA**

**Deputy Speaker**

Elected Member for West Bay North

**Capt. A Eugene Ebanks, JP, MLA**

Elected Member for West Bay Central

**Mr David C Wight, MLA**

Elected Member for George Town West

**Ms Barbara E Conolly, MLA**  
Elected Member for George Town South

**Mr Austin O Harris, MLA**  
Elected Member for Prospect

### **THE OPPOSITION**

**Honourable D Ezzard Miller, MLA**  
Leader of the Opposition  
Elected Member for North Side

**Mr Alva H Suckoo, MLA**  
Deputy Leader of the Opposition  
Elected Member for Newlands

**Mr Anthony S Eden, OBE, MLA**  
Elected Member for Savannah

**Mr Christopher S Saunders, MLA**  
Elected Member for Bodden Town West

**Mr V Arden McLean, JP, MLA**  
Elected Member for East End

### **INDEPENDENT MEMBER**

**Mr Kenneth V Bryan, MLA**  
Elected Member for George Town Central

### **PROGRAMME**

- 9:30 am** Guard of Honour in position.
- 9:35 am** Members of the Legislative Assembly arrive.  
Members of the public arrive.
- 9:40 am** Pastor S Ezra Clarke  
Officiating Minister arrives.

### **INSPECTION OF THE GUARD OF HONOUR**

- 9:45 am** Arrival of His Excellency the Acting Governor (*Met by the Honourable Speaker*)
- HE the Acting Governor  
The Honourable Premier  
The Honourable Deputy Premier, Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport  
The Honourable Minister of Education, Youth, Sports, Agriculture and Lands
- Inspect the Guard of Honour
- 9:55 am** The Honourable Speaker and Clerk escort His Excellency the Acting Governor and the Governor's Aide-de-Camp inside the Building.
- All Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly and the general public seated.
- 10:00 am** **SPEAKER'S PROCESSION** (*All rise*)  
The Serjeant-at-Arms (bearing the Mace).  
The Honourable Speaker  
The Honourable Premier  
The Honourable Leader of the Opposition  
The Clerk and Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly



## **PRAYERS**

The Honourable Speaker requests the Reverend to say prayers.

The Honourable Speaker says "Please be seated" (*All sit*).

## **PROCLAMATION READ BY THE CLERK SUMMONING THE NEW SESSION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

### **ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS**

#### **Oaths of Allegiance and Due Execution (to be administered by the Clerk)**

By Mrs Gloria McField-Nixon, the Acting Honourable Deputy Governor, responsible for the Portfolio of the Civil Service to be the Temporary ex officio Member of the Legislative Assembly

### **READING BY THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR**

To be moved by the Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Minister of Human Resources, Immigration and Community Affairs moves;

*"That this Honourable House do consent His Excellency the Acting Governor Mr Franz I Manderson, Cert. Hon, MBE, JP to attend the proceedings of the House in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Legislative Assembly Meetings in Cayman Brac".*

**All rise** as the Honourable Speaker, preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms proceed to the forecourt of the Building to meet His Excellency the Acting Governor.

### **PROCESSION INTO THE CHAMBER**

Proceed to the main doors of the Chamber.

The Governor's Aide-de-Camp gives three knocks on the door.

As the doors open, the Serjeant-at-Arms heads the Procession and announces: "*His Excellency the Acting Governor*".

As the Procession enters the Chamber, ALL STAND.

The Honourable Speaker takes his seat on the Dias, His Excellency on the right and the Aide-de-Camp to the left.

The Honourable Speaker says "*Please be seated*".

### **MOTION TO INVITE HONOURABLE AUDLEY SHAW, CD, MP INTO THE CHAMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA Minister of Human Resources, Immigration and Community Affairs moves -

*"That this Honourable House do allow the Honourable Audley Shaw, CD, MP to enter the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and deliver a message".*

The Serjeant-at-Arms escorts the Honourable Audley Shaw into the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly

Honourable Audley Shaw takes his seat to the right of the Honourable Speaker's Dias

The Honourable Speaker invites the Honourable Audley Shaw to deliver a message

His Excellency Hon Franz Manderson moves to the podium and delivers his Greetings

The Honourable Speaker invites the Honourable Karl Samuda, CD MP to deliver a Message on behalf of the Parliament of Jamaica

Honourable Karl Samuda moves to the podium and delivers his Message

## **STATEMENTS BY HONOURABLE MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET**

### **"Statement of Affairs"**

By the Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Human Resources, Immigration and Community Affairs

## **SUSPENSION OF THE HOUSE UNTIL 2:30 PM**